ISST Training Issues/Talking Points

- · IFPS Methodology Workshops
- IFPS Focal Point Course (Distance Learning)
- IFPS Text Formatters
- Current Priorities:
 - GFE DRT, Collaboration (SPC/HPC), IFPS Fire Weather
- ISST Recommendations
 - training for FOs/RFCs on customers/partners
 - use of satellite/radar in GFE
- Hurricane Season...new IFPS methodology with decoded TCMs
- VTEC Impacts to IFPS Operations
- Update PDS to include Digital Services items
- ISST Training Team needs your support:
 - Help establish requirement for new graphic collab tool
 - Need expanded resources to cover all of the needs, high priorities.
 - NWS needs more education/outreach to "demystify" IFPS and NDFD
- Targets Of Opportunity:

 - NOHRSC products for WFOs/RFCs (melt season/verif.)
 Process to baseline smarttools in IFPS (FSL & OCWWS)
 - Downscaling Techniques (general, NCEP), w/NWP team
 - The "Big Question"...W & w can a f + value/beat guid.?

Q. What knowledge and training is needed for operational forecasters to take advantage of new technology?

(from AMS BOGM Future Forecaster Forum- 2004)

- Scientific Forecast Process –"Dual Tracks" for Science/Operations
- Remote Sensing/Modeling Science
- Entry-level Operations Training
- Modeling/Post-processing/Statistics for Decision Making
- Simulation-based Training for Events/Response
- Reinforcement/recertification for Rapid Changes
- · Complex Software/User Interface/"Click-ology"
- Inter and Intra Agency/Community Sharing
- Geo Info Sys/Info Mapping Sys/Man Info Sys/IT/Graphics
- Mentoring/Coaching/One-on-one
- Human Factors (Decision Making/Team Building/Soft Skills/Leadership/Collaboration/Concepts/Communication/Limits)
- Continuous Learning for "Stream of Consciousness" (eg. Model Performance, Rapid Software/Technology Changes/Incremental)
- Meteorology at Smaller Scales-Meso, Storm, Boundary Layer, Micro
- Data Assimilation/Modeling Physics @ Different Scales/Domains
- User/Customer Expectations vs. Capabilities
- Data/Guidance/Info/Knowledge Management